Statewide Rollout Meeting Minutes

October 19, 2001

Attended by:

Gary Imes, Chief, IT Section
Betty Cogswell, IT Section
Mark Robeson, Lee-Harnett
Mary Tripp, Program Accountability
Sharon Smith, Purchase and Contracts Section
Art Eccleston, DMH
Jim Ryals, DIRM
Shawn Holland, DIRM

Absent Members:

Joan Kaye, Communications and Training Art Harris, Program Accountability Anita Curtis, IT Section Susan Brown Ward, IT Section Deborah Merrill, IT Section Tim Wildfire, IT Section

1. Contracts

Rick Olson, DIRM

⇒ Fiscal Agency Contract

The state legal office is reviewing the fiscal agency contract. Must be completed soon.

→ MOA

Area Programs concerned with some wording of the document. This will be discussed at the Development Steering committee meeting on 10/24.

⇒ MMIS+ Re-bid RFP

Sharon reported that DMA, DMH/DD/SAS and Maximus representatives met with David Womble, DHHS Chief of Purchase and Contract. During this meeting, it was determined the Rebid RFP would go through ITS' procurement process instead of the State P&C's procurement process. David Womble, Sharon Smith, and Rick Rhyne plan to meet soon with ITS to discuss the procurement process. Bleecker Cooke from Maximus will represent DMH/DD/SAS on the Rebid RFP. Bleecker is housed on the 5th floor of the Albemarle Building.

2. Communications

⇒ IPRS Web site

Betty suggested the web site be redesigned in some areas for better communications. A section for EDI transactions and Training materials (from the IPRS team) could be put on the web.

⇒ Status of Minutes

The September 21 minutes are posted; October 5 minutes in process.

3. Implementation Planning

⇒ Selecting Area Programs for implementation phases

At the Oct. 17 Implementation Steering committee meeting, Betty requested and received agreement that the committee would be responsible for approving the groupings of Area Programs for each implementation phase. The NC Council will assist as needed.

4. IPRS Production Operations' Support

⇒ Deborah's group

Deborah's group will be the focal point for supporting IPRS in production. Representatives of the Rollout team, Division sections and EDS need to define an "Operational Support Structure" for IPRS running in production.

⇒ Other DHHS Sections

5. Other

⇒ IRMC Request

The Project Concept and Proposal Checklist were completed and sent to the IRMC QA group. The IRMC technical review group meets November 5. The request asks for approval to move forward with the fiscal agency contract.

⇒ State Plan

- A new version of the plan was distributed today, 10/19. A "main chapter" has been added to summarize the plan. The revised version is more concise.
- Art Eccleston will update the Implementation Steering committee, November 28.

⇒ Edits and Audits

Art Eccleston will work with Shawn Holland to review existing edits and audits. Art will work with Gary and Deborah to set up operational procedures to maintain edits and audits. He will include Art Harris in establishing that process.

⇒ Statewide Utilization Management

This will affect IPRS, coming to DMH via DMA by January 1, 2002. Value Options provides statewide utilization services. Jim Jarrard (Program Management) is the interface with DMA.

⇒ Training

- AP Director Presentation Gary and Betty will develop a presentation.
- Training of Division Managers/support staff The classes will be held in December, probably the 13 and 18. Betty and Shawn will work with Anita to send out registration materials in early November.
- A Test System for demo's, training, programming, and CSR and regression testing DMH, EDS and CNDS have identified an appropriate environment. Details to be developed.

6. Other Meetings -

⇒ IPRS Implementation Steering Committee (Third Wednesday - 1:00pm)

The meeting was conducted October 17, 2001. Gary answered concerns about the state plan by assuring the group IPRS could handle pop groups, covered services and benefit plans. The responsible groups need to develop "operational specs". Next meeting will be November 28.

Hold Harmless subcommittee
 Barbara Moore updated the committee on the meeting conducted at the FARO conference.

⇒ MMIS - IPRS Governance

(Second Monday - 3:30pm)

The October 8 meeting was cancelled. The next meeting will be November 12.

⇒ Division IPRS Workgroup

(Alternating Tuesdays - 3:00pm)

Betty will review Eligibility concerns with this group.

Next Meeting: November 2, 2001, 8:30am, Albemarle CR 1112